

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP/MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MEDINA HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER.

Present: Mayor Michael Sidari  
Trustees Owen Toale, Marguerite Sherman, Jessica Marciano, Timothy Elliott  
Lieutenant Todd Draper, Superintendent Jason Watts, Code Officer Dan Gardner  
Attorney Matthew Brooks

Mayor Sidari called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Sidari opened the first public comment period.

Alex Feig of the Medina Skate Society addressed the Board as to his concerns at the Skate Park regarding the installation of lighting at the park as well as seeding and sodding around the park.

The Board continued the discussion of appointing new Planning Board Members. Trustee Sherman proposed having the Planning Board members involved so that they may meet the candidates. Trustee Marciano proposed having the candidates and the Planning Board Chairman attend the next meeting. Mayor Sidari requested having the Planning Board and Zoning Board both give recommendations by the first meeting in October.

Mayor Sidari noted that the Author's Note would be having a ribbon cutting on September 25, 2021, at 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Sidari said that he had received a request from Operation Honor to hold their fourth annual 5K on Saturday November 13, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. beginning at the Junior Wilson Parking Lot and ending at Noon at the Towne School Parking lot. Proceeds from the event goes toward supporting any Orleans County Veteran Service.

A motion was made by Trustee Toale and seconded by Trustee Elliott. Operation Honor is authorized to hold their fourth annual 5k on November 13, 2021, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

All ayes.  
Motion carried.

Lieutenant Draper discussed K-9 Phoenix as he had recently had surgery and was expected to have a full recovery within a four to five week period.

Lieutenant Draper discussed the National Academy which is a training program to be held from January 3, 2022 to March 10, 2022 and is put on by the FBI. Lieutenant Draper requested permission from the Board to be able to attend the training program with all costs and travel covered by the National Academy.

The Board discussed the possibility of overtime for the time period Lieutenant Draper would be attending the Academy.

A motion was made by Trustee Sherman and seconded by Trustee Marciano. Lieutenant Draper is authorized to attend the National Academy from January 3, 2022 to March 10, 2022.

All ayes.  
Motion carried.

Mayor Sidari discussed having a reassessment of all Village owned buildings as it had been quite some time since this had been done. Mayor Sidari stated a local realtor would be willing to do the reassessments for a minimal fee. Trustee Toale suggested having the assessor look into the reassessments.

Mayor Sidari discussed the deer population and the possibility of allowing a bow and arrow hunt in the Village with the DEC regulating the guidelines for said hunt. The matter was tabled.

The East Avenue building that had recently collapsed was discussed, as well as the cost to demolition the building. Attorney Brooks stated he was looking into statues regarding this matter.

Mayor Sidari discussed adding the Canal Basin to Code 174-3 as the Board had been receiving complaints about activity in the gazebo during the late hours of the night. Attorney Brooks indicated that if you considered making it an official park, it is very difficult to make it a non-park and to do so would need to go through New York State Legislation.

Trustee Sherman suggested posting hours and rules for use of the gazebo. Trustee Marciano suggested increasing foot patrols.

Mayor Sidari discussed adding the Skate Park to the Code, 174.4.

Trustee Marciano offered that she had ordered new smoke free signs for the parks.

Mayor Sidari advised that they had received one application to fill the Forest Coordinator Position.

A motion was made by Trustee Sherman and seconded by Trustee Marciano. That Christopher Busch be appointed to the position of Forest Coordinator.

Trustee Sherman	Aye	Trustee Elliott	Aye
Trustee Toale	Nay	Trustee Marciano	Aye
Mayor Sidari	Aye		

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Toale and seconded by Trustee Elliott the Mayor is authorized to sign the DWI Memorandum of Agreement between the Village of Medina, Orleans County, the Village of Albion, and the Village of Holley.

All ayes.  
Motion carried.

Code Officer Gardner discussed open burning regulations, advising the Board he had combined several dos and don'ts from other municipalities and well as the New York State Fire Code in order to update the Village Code. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Mayor Sidari said that the Board still needed to continue their tour of the remaining downtown businesses. The Board agreed to meet on October 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Code Officer Gardner gave his monthly report advising the Board that Hebrews Coffee would be having their soft opening on Wednesday September 15, 2021. He said the house on South Avenue that had burned several years prior had been demolished. He also indicated that he has a request to demolish the garage which is close to the road at 511 Canal Street.

Superintendent Watts advised he had been grading and cleaning up around the skate park. He said his department was working on trimming trees over sidewalks as well as replacing sidewalks on Gwinn Street and painting crosswalks in anticipation of school starting. He said DN tanks would be out on September 23, 2021, to go over the work they would be starting on the water tank. He said he had an interview with Sue at the Orleans County Department of Health for his licensing. He attended a class on snow and ice control. He also met with Heather on the GIS system and would be working on the GIS for the cemetery.

Mayor Sidari advised that lighting still needed to be purchased for the Skate Park.

A motion was made by Trustee Toale and seconded by Trustee Elliott. The purchase of lighting for the Skate Park is approved and is not to exceed the amount of \$4,000.00.

All ayes.  
Motion carried.

Kathy Blackburn advised the Board that there was a tree on the hill that had fallen and damaged a monument. Kathy had obtained an estimate for removal of this tree in the amount of \$2,000.00. Also tree #183 needs to be removed. The estimate for the removal of that tree is \$3,000.00.

The Board requested that Superintendent Watts obtain bids per the Village's procurement policy.

A motion was made by Trustee Toale and seconded by Trustee Marciano. The meeting is moved into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. to discuss the contractual status of an individual.

A motion was made by Trustee Toale and seconded by Trustee Elliott. The regular meeting is reconvened and subsequently adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

All ayes  
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jada A. Burgess  
Clerk-Treasurer